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ACRONYMS

| | | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| AL | approach and land | GS | groundspeed |
| A/S | airspeed | GR DN | gear down |
| ADI | attitude direction indicator | | |
| ADTA | air data | H | altitude |
| AMI | alpha mach indicator | HAC | heading alignment cone |
| APIL | approach path indicator lights | HdblDot | altitude acceleration |
| APU | auxiliary power unit | Hdot | altitude rate or vertical velocity |
| AVVI | altitude/vertical velocity indicator | HSD | horizontal situation display |
| AZ | azimuth | HSI | horizontal situation indicator |
| | | HUD | heads-up display |
| BF | body flap | HYD | hydrogen |
| BRK | brake | | |
| BYP | bypass | IGS | inner glide slope |
| | | ISOL | isolation |
| CDR | commander | | |
| CMD | command | KEAS | knots equivalent airspeed |
| CNTRL | control | KSC | Kennedy Space Center |
| CRT | cathode-ray tube | KT | knot(s) |
| CSS | control stick steering | KYBD | keyboard |
| | | | |
| D | drag | LG | landing gear |
| DAP | digital autopilot | LOS | loss of sync |
| DECEL | deceleration | LRU | line replacement unit |
| DCLT | declutter | LVLH | local vertical local horizontal |
| deg. | degree | | |
| | | M | mach |
| E/I | entry interface | MANF | manifold |
| E/W | energy-to-weight ratio | MAX | maximum |
| EAS | equivalent airspeed | MBCS | motion-based crew simulator |
| EDO | extended duration of Orbiter | MCC | Mission Control Center |
| EDW | Edwards Air Force Base | MLS | microwave landing system |
| E/L | entry and landing | MM | major mode |
| ENT TRAJ | entry trajectory | MOD | Mission Operations Directorate |
| ET | external tank | MPS | main propulsion system |
| EXEC | execute | MS2 | mission specialist 2 |
| | | | |
| FCOD | flight crew operations directorate | NAV | navigation |
| FLT CNTRL | flight control | NWS | Nose Wheel Steering |
| fps | feet per second | N _y | normal acceleration |
| FRCS | Forward Reaction Control System | N _z | lateral acceleration |
| | | | |
| g | gravity | OGS | outer glide slope |
| G&C | Guidance and control | OPS | operational sequence |
| G-50 | SPEC 50 display of HSD | | |
| GNC | guidance and navigational control | P | pitch |
| GPC | general purpose computer | PAPI | precision approach path indicator |

| | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| PB | push button |
| PBI | push button indicator |
| PLT | pilot |
| POS | position |
| PRO | proceed |
| psf | pounds per square foot |
| PWR | power |
| qbar | dynamic pressure |
| R/Y | roll/yaw |
| RAD | radiator bypass valve |
| RCS | reaction control system |
| RHC | rotational hand controller |
| SEP | separation |
| SME | subject matter expert |
| SPDBK | speedbrake |
| SPEC 50 | horizontal situation display |
| SPI | surface position indicator |
| SRB | solid rocket booster |
| SUMM | summary |
| SYS | system |
| TACAN | Tactical Air Command and Navigation |
| TAEM | Terminal Area Energy Management |
| TIG | time of ignition |
| TVC | thrust vector control |
| UHF | ultrahigh frequency |
| vel | velocity |
| VERT SIT | vertical situation |
| VLV | valve |
| V _{rel} | relative velocity |
| VSD | vertical situation display |
| WONG | weight-on-nose gear |
| WOW | weight on wheels |
| WOWLON | weight on wheels locked on |
| WP 1 | way point one |

TASK ANALYSIS OF SHUTTLE ENTRY AND LANDING ACTIVITIES

ABSTRACT

The Task Analysis of Shuttle Entry and Landing (E/L) Activities documents all tasks required to land the Orbiter successfully following an STS mission. In addition to the analysis of tasks performed, conditions surrounding each task or series of tasks is included. These conditions encompassed, for each task, the estimated time required for completion, altitude, relative velocity, normal acceleration, lateral acceleration, location of controls being operated or monitored, and level of g's experienced.

The present analysis precedes further investigations into the potential effects of zero g on the piloting capabilities of crewmembers responsible for landing the Orbiter following long duration missions. This includes, but is not limited to, researching the effects on piloting capabilities following extended duration Orbiter missions.

Four primary constraints of the analysis must be explicated: (1) the analysis depicts E/L in a static manner; whereas, the actual process is dynamic; (2) since it was not feasible to conduct research to conduct research in the actual setting (i.e., observing and filming during an actual E/L), the task analysis was limited to information obtained from E/L documentation and observation of E/L simulations; (3) the tasks included are those required for E/L during nominal, daylight conditions; and (4) certain E/L tasks will vary according to the flying style of each commander.

BACKGROUND

A task analysis is typically conducted to define a job by breaking it down into its respective components, including the conditions under which the tasks are performed. This facilitates identifying specific units of a job for further scrutiny. The purpose of the present analysis was to identify the requisite tasks performed by the commander (CDR), pilot (PLT), and mission specialist 2 (MS2) to land the Orbiter successfully. The information contained in this document is intended for use by organizations requiring entry and landing (E/L) task information for operational planning or research purposes.

Included in the present analysis was a hierarchical assessment of all crewmember activities that occur during E/L, including Orbiter events and the environment surrounding the crew as they accomplish the tasks. Conditions under which crewmembers must perform include the following

variables: (1) elapsed time, (2) altitude (H), (3) relative velocity (V_{rel}), (4) normal acceleration (N_y), (5) lateral acceleration (N_z), (6) location of controls, and (7) level of g's experienced. Gravitational force was not included in the task analysis template but was graphed separately (appendix A) to display the g's experienced during a typical E/L. Combined, the above information explains the process of E/L in detail and provides the basis for various analyses examining current or extended duration Orbiter (EDO) mission E/Ls. This procedure was analogous to that used by Keller, Lesser, Norman, and Webster (1965) in their detailed analysis of tasks to be performed by crewmembers during lunar excursion module activities.

To date, the missions flown have ranged in length from 2 to 13 days. Some CDRs, PLTs, and MS2s of these missions expressed that they have, at various points of E/L, experienced a somewhat less than optimal capability for performing their tasks. This may be due, in part, to the adaptation from zero-g to 1g, which they begin while in the dynamic environment of reentry. During this time, the CDR, PLT, and MS2 must monitor controls for nominal and contingency events, engage and disengage control systems, and conduct manual flight and landing procedures. This is accomplished under a high relative velocity (V_{rel}) and varying levels of normal and lateral acceleration.

An important consideration to be addressed prior to the onset of EDO missions is the E/L performance of the three crewmembers. A few individuals have reported that during E/L on previous missions, certain limitations have been experienced. It is not known whether extended time in zero g will accentuate difficulties previously reported or will possibly create additional difficulties in piloting performance. An analysis of this type provides the basis for assessing whether the CDR, PLT, and MS2 could be further affected by exposure to zero g for periods longer than 13 days. Also, at what point in the E/L procedure would these difficulties most likely occur? A task analysis was first conducted, therefore, to define precisely what is performed during E/L. Such an analysis facilitates any assessment of questions regarding the tasks and surrounding conditions.

Note that this task analysis was current as of November 1991. Any tasks appearing in this analysis will not reflect changes made to E/L procedures after that date (e.g., addition of the drag chute to landing procedures).

SCOPE OF THE ANALYSIS

Constraints

To complete this analysis, several groups of E/L subject matter experts were consulted. In addition, data obtained from all available documentation pertinent to E/L were incorporated into the analysis. However, the nature of this procedure and the methods available for analysis introduce certain constraints as to how this analysis should be viewed. Limitations to consider in using the information presented in this analysis include the following:

- The analysis depicts E/L in a static manner, whereas, the actual process is dynamic.
- This task analysis is based upon a nominal landing during daylight hours. Any number of anomalies may occur, and piloting styles may differ; this would alter the tasks presented in the task template. Examples of such deviations would include malfunctions in mechanical systems and/or wind conditions differing from that which was anticipated. These or any off-nominal E/L scenarios would require a more complex set of tasks, more frequent head movements, and an increased use of checklists and cue cards. Therefore, presenting all probable scenarios or incorporating subtle differences relative to a pilot's flying are not feasible within the scope of this analysis.
- This project was limited to the information that could be obtained from E/L documentation and observation of E/L simulations, since it was not possible to access the actual setting. No filming or observing was conducted during an actual E/L sequence; simulations in the motion-based simulator and verbal reports from PLTs, CDRs, and MS2s were used to verify the accuracy of the task sequences.
- The analysis does not consider each mission CDR's flying style or preferences regarding how and when E/L procedures are performed.

The focus of this analysis was on the tasks performed by the three crewmembers from 5 minutes prior to entry interface (E/I) through wheel stop. Preparations for E/L completed prior to this time were omitted from the analysis. All tasks are presented hierarchically in column format, detailing activities required to accomplish specific tasks. Additional detail was provided regarding crewmembers' actions during events controlled by the general purpose computer (GPC) in the control stick steering (CSS) phase of the analysis. This was included since the requisite tasks performed by crewmembers increase significantly, and manual piloting of the Orbiter begins.

When E/I occurs, elapsed time is recorded in ascending order, beginning at 00:00. Approximately 30 minutes is required to reach the point of wheel stop; however, as previously

noted, between-mission differences exist among times to complete E/L. A primary factor influencing the timeline for completion of tasks is flight path. This can deviate because of many variations, including energy parameters, wind conditions, Orbiter weight, orbital inclination, landing site chosen, and the heading alignment cone (HAC) selected at the landing site (figs. 1, 2, and 3). All tasks accomplished during E/L are encompassed within three distinct segments, each requiring varying lengths of time to complete (table I). Each segment is separated into specific phases, during which a prescribed set of tasks must be performed. The tasks follow in a hierarchical fashion to delineate what is necessary for completing that portion of the segment successfully.

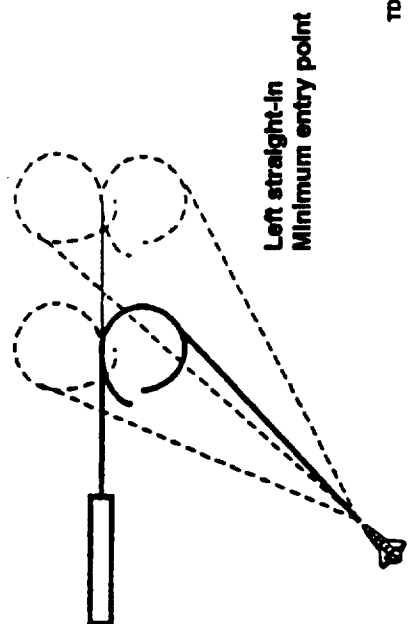
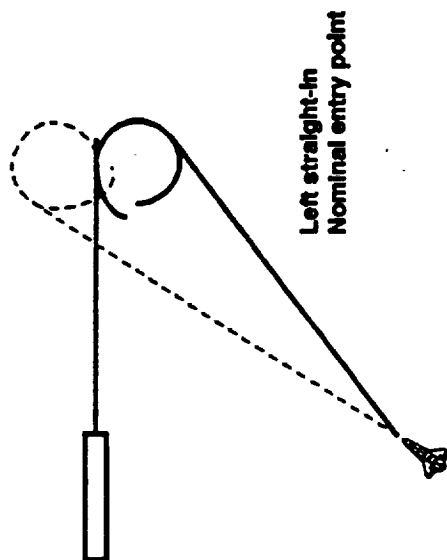
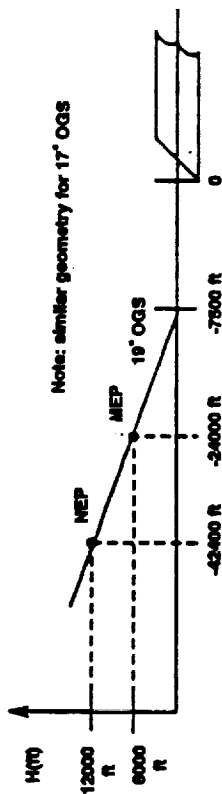
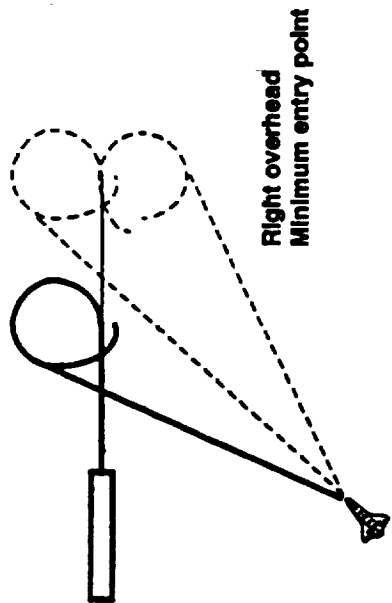
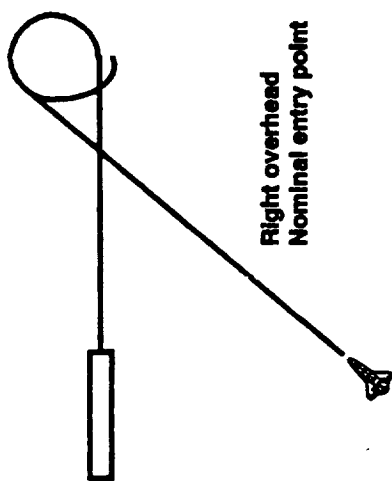
Following are the rudimentary assumptions used while completing the task analysis:

- E/I occurring at 400,000 ft.
- Lightweight Orbiter (< 220,000 lb.)
- Nominal energy parameters
- No equipment malfunctions
- No alarms sounding onboard the Orbiter, which signal off-nominal events
- Landing during daylight hours
- Nominal wind and weather conditions
- Nominal operation of ground-based guidance systems
- Approximately 30 minutes required from E/I to wheel stop
- Nominal runway conditions at Edwards Air Force Base, California (Edwards runway 22)

Method

Data were collected at NASA JSC from the Flight Crew Operations Directorate (FCOD) and Mission Operations Directorate (MOD). Several sources were consulted to obtain the information to complete the analysis, including the following:

- Subject Matter Experts (FCOD and MOD personnel),
- Guidance and Navigational Control (GNC) data from previous E/Ls (STS -26, -41, and -39),
- Observation of E/Ls in the Motion-Based Crew Simulator (MBCS)
- Flight Procedures Handbook (JSC-16873, July 1989),
- Shuttle Systems Handbook (JSC-11174, July 1989),
- Training and Procedure Manuals (SSV FAM 1107, August 1986; CSI 2102, November 1987; ENT GUID 2102, July 1988),
- Computer-modeled simulation of head movements.



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Figure 1. - Optional TAEM targeting HACs.

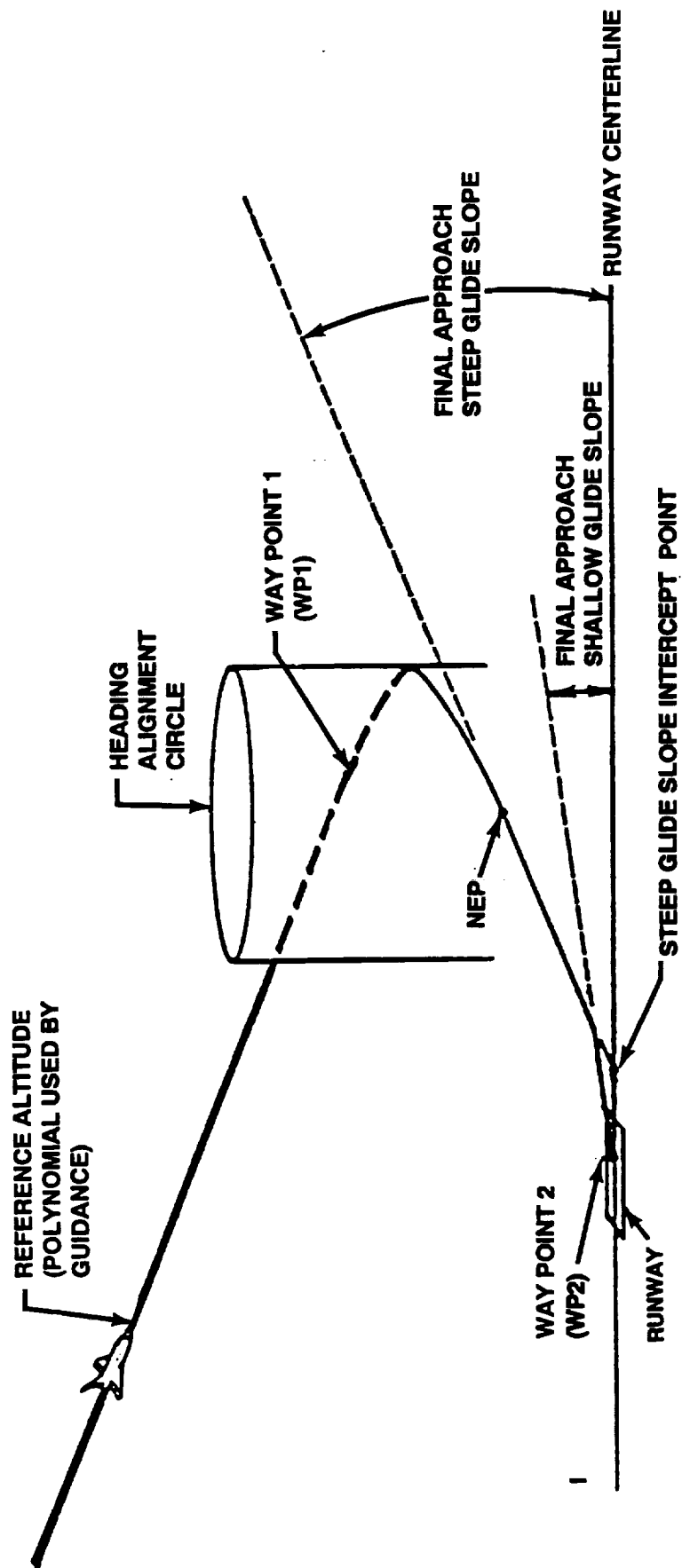


Figure 3. - Flight path geometry - side view.

Since information had to be assimilated from several persons and reference materials, the decision was made to conduct the analysis iteratively, proceeding from a general to a specific format. The first phase involved producing a general outline of E/L using flight procedure handbooks, training manuals, and observation of E/Ls in the MBCS. The initial outline encompassed the major Orbiter events (table I), which are controlled by the onboard GPC throughout E/L; the timeframe at which they occur; and the corresponding altitude. Information listed in table 1 is also represented graphically in figures 4, 5, and 6. The initial outline also contained subsequent tasks required during the major Orbiter events. From this outline, extensive detail making up the final product was incorporated, with revisions and comments coming primarily from SMEs and GNC data. SMEs included E/L instructors and GNC experts from MOD, as well as crewmembers currently serving as CDRs, PLTs, and MS2s. Reviewers checked the accuracy of tasks listed, provided additional requisite tasks, organized them into their proper sequences, and assigned tasks to the appropriate crewmembers. Iterations such as these continued until a consensus was reached between FCOD, MOD, and the researchers that an effective portrayal of the tasks required to perform a nominal E/L successfully had been attained.

Table I. - Segments, Phases, and Subphases of Entry and Landing

Entry Segment (~24:09)

- Preentry Phase (~4:36)
- Temperature Control Phase (~8:26)
- Equilibrium Glide Phase (~2:48)
- Constant Drag Phase (~1:40)
- Transition Phase (~6:39)

TAEM Segment (~5:00)

- Acquisition Phase (~2:51)
 - Arc Subphase (N/A)
 - Line Subphase (N/A)
- Heading Alignment Phase (~1:50)
- Prefinal Phase (~0:19)

Approach and Land Segment (~1:50)

- Trajectory Capture Phase (N/A)
- Outer/Steep Glide Slope Phase (~0:43)
- Preflare Phase (~0:14)
- Inner/Shallow Glide Phase (~0:10)
- Final Flare (~0:12)
- Touchdown and Rollout Phase (~0:31)

() contain the approximate time required to complete that particular segment, phase, or subphase. N/A is listed where an accurate estimate of time could not be obtained.

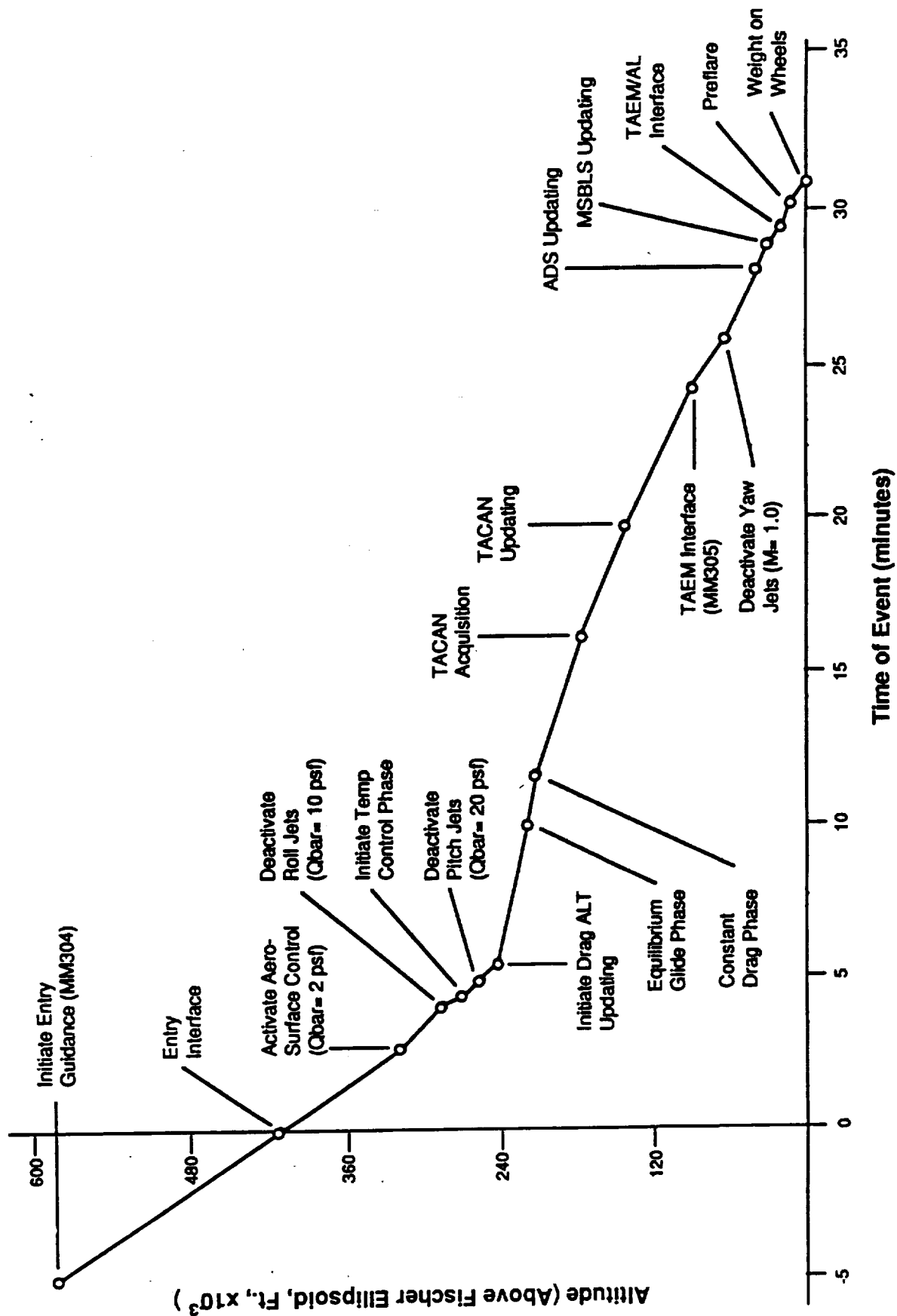


Figure 4. - GNC major events.

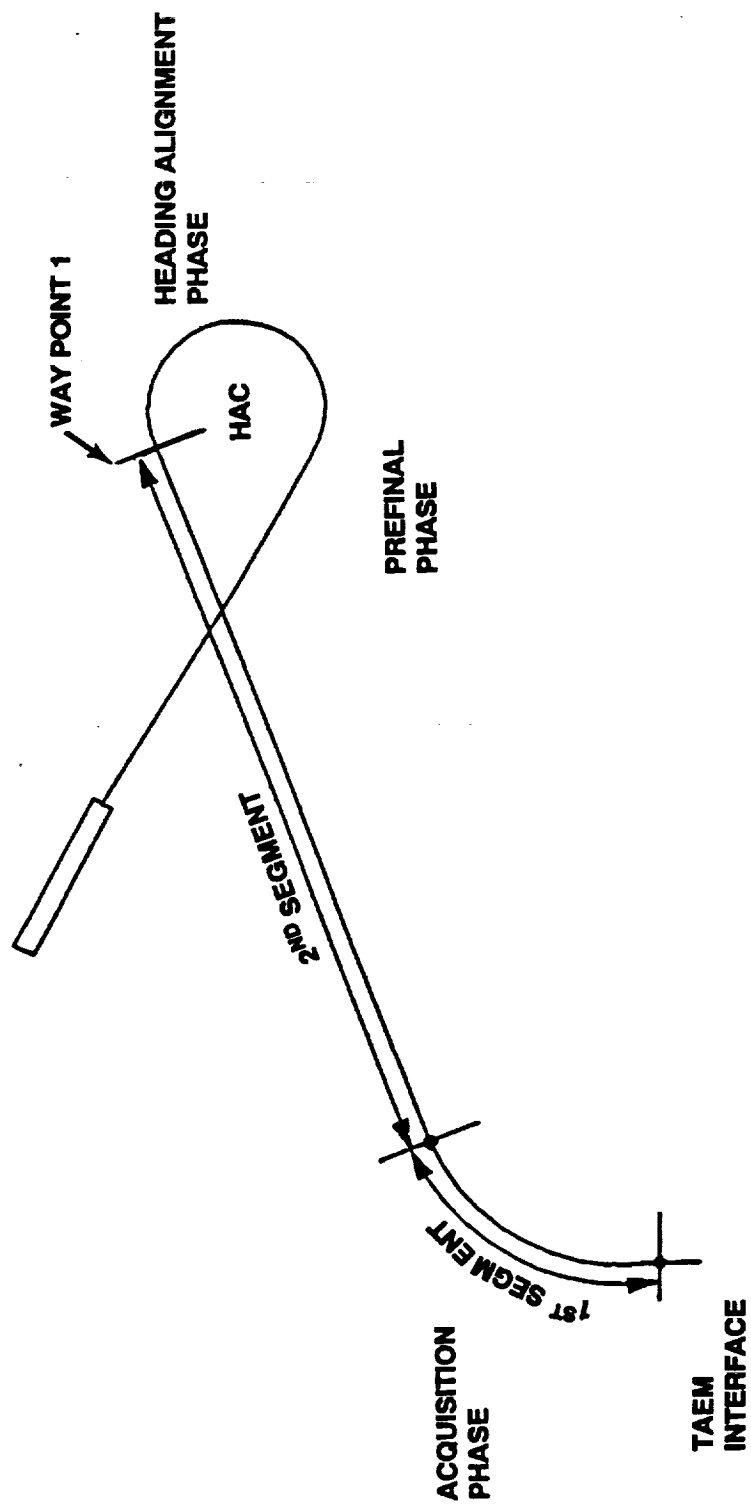


Figure 5. - TAEM segment.

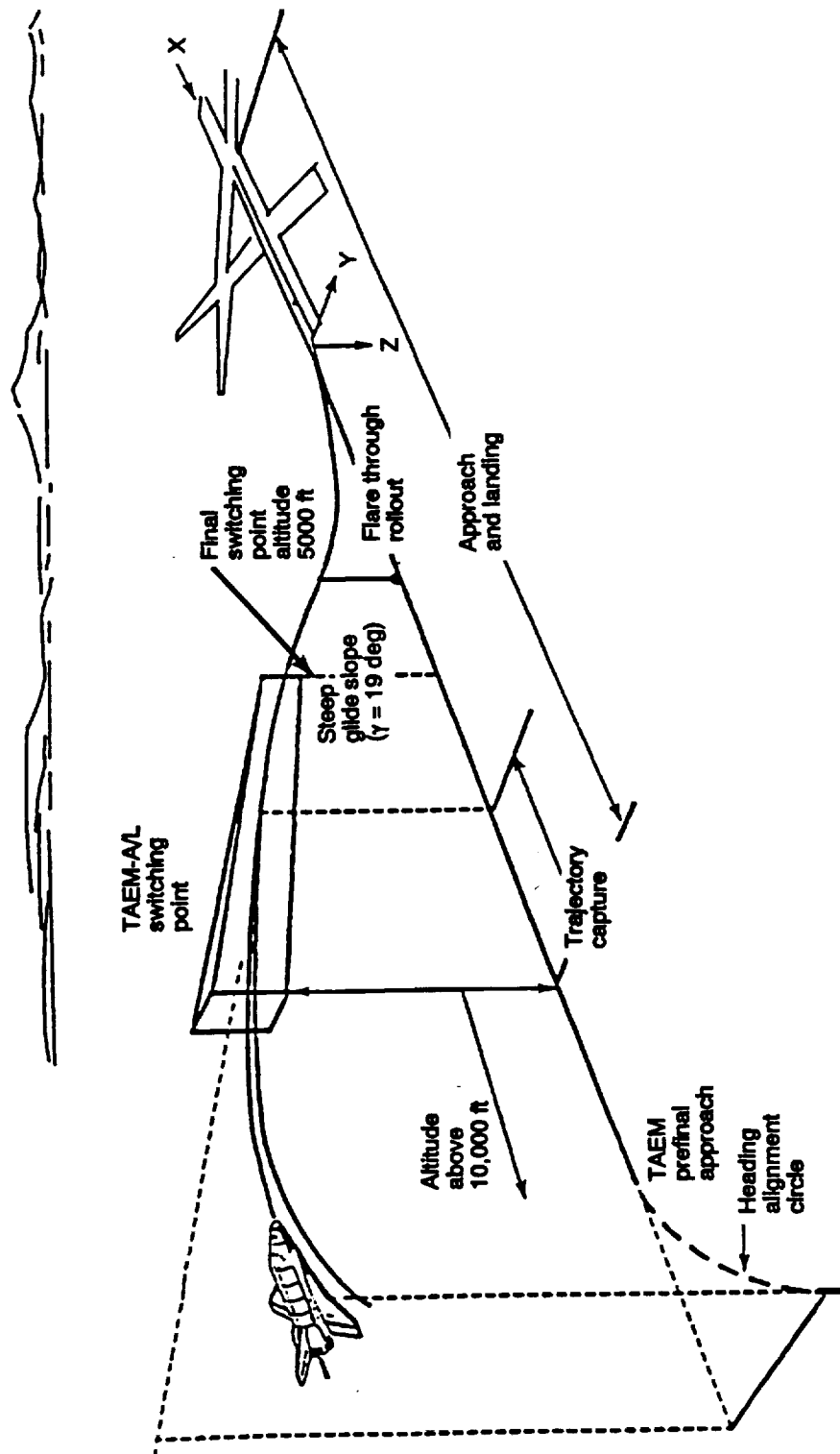


Figure 6. - A/L segment.

ANALYSIS TEMPLATE DEFINITION

Column Headings and Contents

The information obtained during the iterative process previously described is compiled into a hierarchy using a column format template. The rationale for applying this format is the sequential nature of the E/L procedures and that a majority of the tasks being completed are well defined and chronologically ordered. The column format also provided a means for presenting the numerous set of tasks assigned to crewmembers that are performed simultaneously.

The column variables in the analysis contain the minimum required to accurately describe the E/L procedure as a whole. The first five columns reference the conditions and constraints under which tasks are performed, including elapsed time, altitude, Orbiter velocity, lateral acceleration, and normal acceleration. The subsequent four columns comprise the tasks performed by crewmembers and the location and control in the forward flight deck (fig. 7), which is monitored or manipulated during E/L.

The following is an explanation of what each column in the template contains:

El Time: Elapsed time from entry interface. Time is listed in ascending order, beginning at 00:00.

Alt Kft: Altitude in thousands of feet.

V_{rel} Kfps (M): Relative velocity of the Orbiter, which is provided in thousands ft/s (can also be read as "mach"). During the touchdown and rollout phase (El Time 30:28), the velocity measurement is displayed in knots (KT), since crewmembers use this reading as a cue for certain tasks to be initiated.

N_y: Lateral movement: Lateral acceleration in ft/s².

N_z: Vertical movement: Normal acceleration in ft/s².

Events/CDR Task: Orbiter events occurring automatically, as well as tasks performed by the commander.

Note that Orbiter Events occurring automatically, major segments, and the phases corresponding to each segment are listed in the CDR column only, but apply to all crewmembers. Tasks performed by the CDR, PLT, and MS2 appear in their respective columns. If the same task is performed by more than one crewmember, it is identified in all applicable columns.

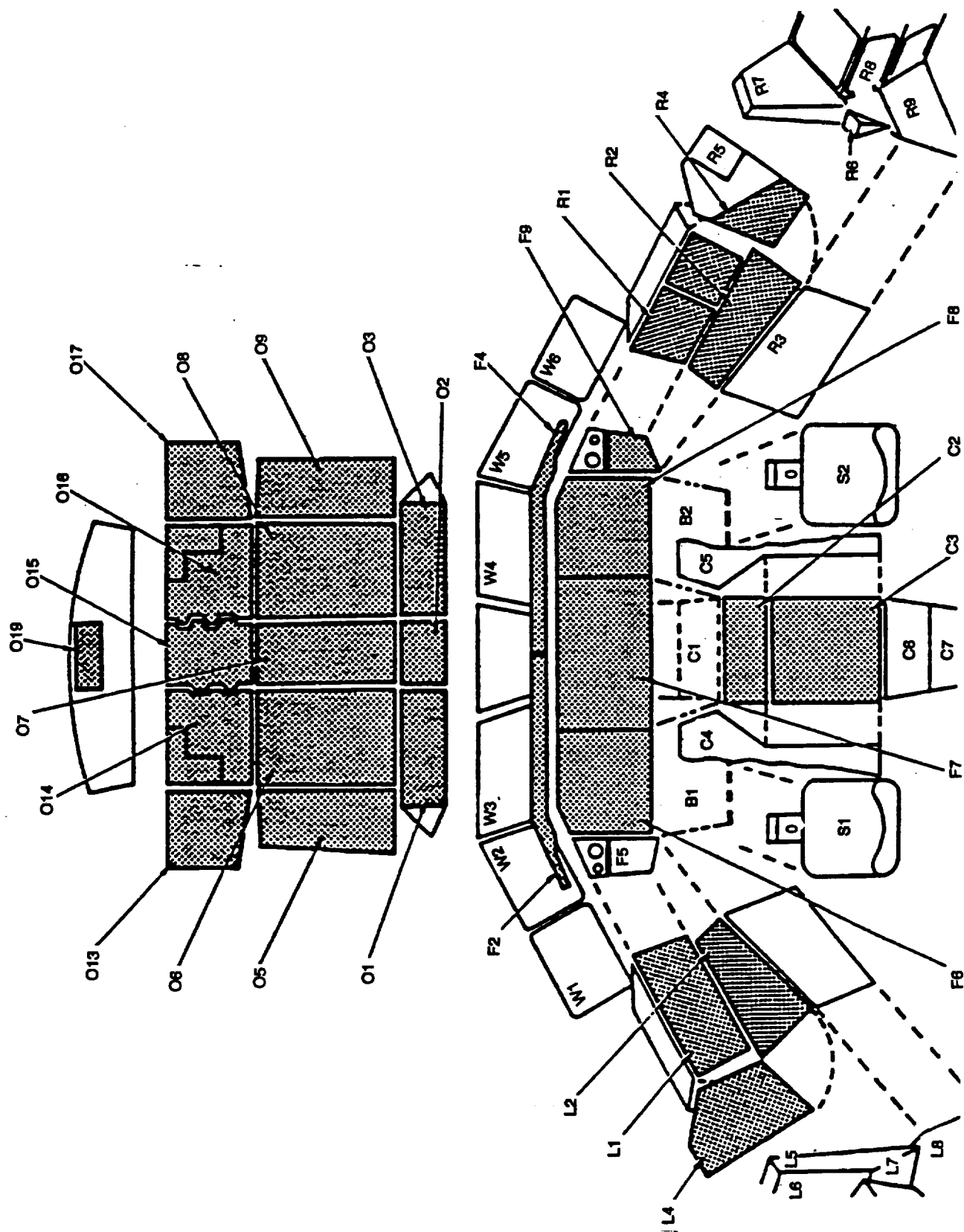


Figure 7. - Forward flight deck panels.

Pilot Task: Tasks performed by the PLT.

MS2 Task: Tasks performed by the Mission Specialist 2.

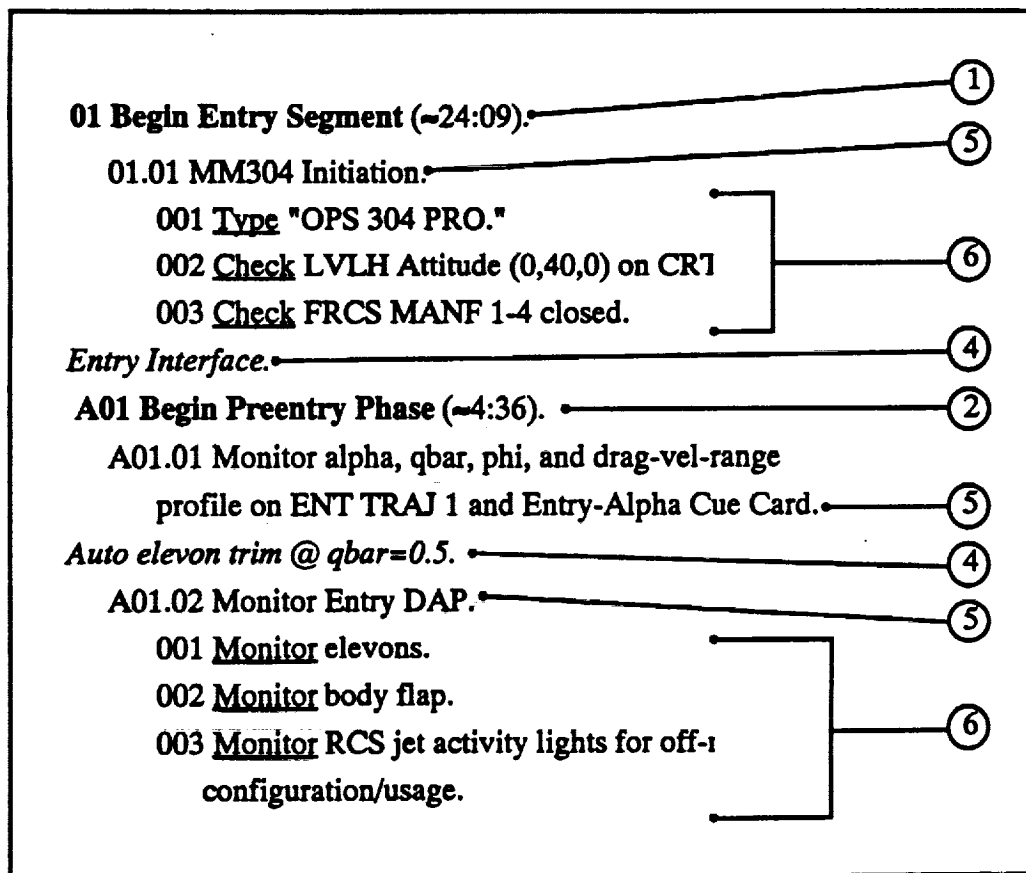
Loc: Location of controls or instruments involved in the task or sequence of tasks.

Notes: Comments to the reader on specific events or tasks.

Coding System

The level of detail contained within the task template necessitated the development of a nomenclature for organizing and labeling the segments and phases, with their respective tasks and subtasks, for each crewmember. This system was used to iterate the sequence of the tasks and to facilitate references to specific portions of the document. An example of the coding system used for this analysis appears in table II. Each entry in table II is identified by a circled number corresponding to the subsequent explanation of what the item represents.

Table II. - Example of Task Coding System



1) ALL CAPS + BOLD + Underlined = Entry and Landing *Segments*. These are identified by a two-digit number (01, 02, or 03), which precede the segment title. Parentheses following these entries contain an approximate time required to complete each segment.

2) ALL CAPS + BOLD + *Italicized* = *Phases* of E/L Segments. Upper case letters connote the sequence of each phase within a segment. These letters precede the two-digit numbers identifying the corresponding segments. Parentheses following these entries contain an approximate time required to complete the phase. Aggregate time for completing phases equals the time required to complete their associated segment.

3) ALL CAPS + *Italicized* = Subphases/Components of Phases. Phases that can be broken down into discrete units are only identified via this formatting; they are not specified with sequential numbering.

4) *Italicized* = Events occurring automatically, controlled by the Orbiter onboard computer.

Note that events controlled by the Orbiter GPC are not explained in detail until CSS begins (approximately 26:27 elapsed time), the reason being that when CSS begins, the crew is flying the Orbiter manually in addition to their monitoring and verifying activities. During that period of time, it is important to know the precise division of labor required to verify computer accuracy and timely operation.

The descriptions appear in the column of the crewmember whose function it is to verify or monitor the occurrence of the GPC-controlled event. These events are not sequentially numbered.

5) Regular Type = Task Statements. Each is identified with a letter followed by 4 digits (e.g., A01.01). The task number is identified following the decimal point in the sequence. Tasks are numbered in sequential order to show what must be completed during a particular phase. The statements begin with an underlined verb to emphasize the action that is required.

6) Indented + Regular Type = Subtasks. They describe what is necessary to complete the associated task successfully. Each is identified with a 3-digit number (001, 002, etc.). Subtasks are omitted in instances where the task does not require further explanation. As with tasks, subtasks begin with an underlined verb to highlight the type of activity being performed.

Note that the tasks required during transitions into new segments cannot always be inserted under a specific phase. These tasks, therefore, are identified without a letter that would link it to a phase. In the present example, the task "01.01" and its subtasks appear at the introduction to the segment and prior to the first phase. This also occurs in the transitions to segments 2 and 3.

To obtain the location of controls operated and monitored during E/L, the *Space Shuttle Systems Handbook*, Volume II, Section 20 (July 1989) was consulted. This portion of the task analysis document identifies, by name, each control used to perform the corresponding task(s) and its location according to the flight deck panel coordinate system. The forward flight deck coordinate system comprises the following, which are also presented in figure 7.

F= forward panels, directly in front of the CDR and PLT

R= starboard side panels, to the PLT's right

L= port side panels, to the CDR's left

C= console panels, between CDR and PLT

O= overhead panels, above CDR, PLT, and MS2

Each area contains several panels, which are identified as F1 to F8 for the forward panels: C1 to C7 for the console, and so forth. Most panels are divided into sections to further define control locations. These are identified with the letter "A." For example, the F6 panel is divided into 8 sections, A1, A2...A8, and are identified as F6/A1, F6/A2... F6/A8. Note that these secondary coordinates do not refer to the controls located in the *aft* portion of the flight deck.

**Table III. - Hierarchical Task Listing
Shuttle Entry and Landing**

HIERARCHICAL TASK LISTING SHUTTLE ENTRY AND LANDING

| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny° | Nz° | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|--------|-------|---|--|---|--|-------|
| El -5:00 | 557 | 25.4 | 0.257 | 0 | 01 BEGIN ENTRY SEGMENT (-24:09). 01.01 MM304 Initiation. 001 Type "OPS 304 PRO" into KYBD. 002 Check LVLH Attitude (0, 40, 0) on ADI. 003 Check FRCS MANF 1-4 closed. Entry Interface. A01 BEGIN PREENTRY PHASE (-4:36): | | | KYBD C2/A1 ADI F6/A6 F8/A6 FRCS O8/A5 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 400 | 24.6 | " | " | | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | A01.01 Monitor alpha, qbar, phi, and drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1 and Entry-Alpha Cue Card. Auto elevon trim @ qbar=0.5. A01.02 Monitor Entry DAP. | A01.01 Monitor alpha, qbar, phi, and drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1 and Entry-Alpha Cue Card. A01.02 Monitor Entry DAP. | A01.01 Monitor alpha, qbar, phi, and drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1 and Entry-Alpha Cue Card. | AMI F6/A2 CRTs 1, 2 & 3 F7/A1, A4, & A6 | |
| 02:18 | 330 | 24.5 | 0.0643 | 0.257 | 001 Monitor elevons. 002 Monitor body flap. 003 Monitor RCS jet activity lights for off-nominal configuration/ usage. | 001 Monitor elevons. 002 Monitor body flap. 003 Monitor RCS jet activity lights for off-nominal configuration/ usage. | | SPI F7/A3 RCS C2/A6 | |
| 03:24 | 298 | 24.5 | 0 | 0.772 | Aerosurface control @ qbar=2. Potential body flap saturation (M 24.6 - 22.5). | | | | |

*(x=Missing Ny/Nz values due to LOS)

HIERARCHICAL TASK LISTING SHUTTLE ENTRY AND LANDING

| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|-----|------|---|---|---|------------------------|-------|
| 04:36 | 270 | 24.4 | 0 | 3.6 | B01 BEGIN TEMP. CONTROL PHASE (-8:26): | | | | |
| 04:51 | 265 | 24.4 | " | 4.89 | B01.01 Monitor closed-loop guidance (D=3) initiation. | B01.01 Monitor closed-loop guidance (D=3) initiation. | B01.01 Monitor closed-loop guidance (D=3) initiation. | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |
| 04:52 | 265 | 24.4 | " | 5.66 | Roll jets deactivated @ qbar=10. | | | | |
| 04:59 | 263 | 24.4 | " | " | First bank command. | | | ADI F6/A6 F8/A6 | |
| | | | | | B01.02 Monitor direction, magnitude, and HDOT. | B01.02 Monitor direction, magnitude, and HDOT. | B01.02 Monitor direction, magnitude, and HDOT. | CRTs 1, 2 F7/A1, A4 | |
| | | | | | B01.03 Monitor ROLL CMD/ROLL REF: | B01.03 Monitor ROLL CMD/ROLL REF: | B01.03 Monitor ROLL CMD/ROLL REF: | ADI F6/A6 F8/A6 | |
| | | | | | 001 Monitor ADI display through TAEM Segment. | 001 Monitor ADI display through TAEM Segment. | 001 Monitor ADI display through TAEM Segment. | | |
| | | | | | 002 Monitor ENT TRAJ display through TAEM Segment. | 002 Monitor ENT TRAJ display through TAEM Segment. | 002 Monitor ENT TRAJ display through TAEM Segment. | CRTs 1, 2 F7/A1, A4 | |
| | | | | | 003 Monitor AVVI & ENT TRAJ, establishing Hdxt & Hdbdot trend to maintain or reconverge guidance. | 003 Monitor AVVI & ENT TRAJ, establishing Hdxt & Hdbdot trend to maintain or reconverge guidance. | 003 Monitor AVVI & ENT TRAJ, establishing Hdxt & Hdbdot trend to maintain or reconverge guidance. | AVVI F6/A4 F8/A3 | |
| | | | | | B01.04 Monitor continuously roll reversals & delta AZ on HSI & ENT TRAJ, now thru WP 1. | B01.04 Monitor continuously roll reversals & delta AZ on HSI & ENT TRAJ, now thru WP 1. | B01.04 Monitor continuously roll reversals & delta AZ on HSI & ENT TRAJ, now thru WP 1. | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |
| | | | | | B01.05 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1. | B01.05 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1. | B01.05 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1. | HSI F6/A7 F8/A7 | |
| | | | | | | | | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |
| 06:00 | 255 | 24.0 | x | x | Max surface temperature region (M 24-19.4). Drag profile within 0.5 fps2. | | | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kft/s (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|----------------|--------|------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 07:15 | 248 | 23.5 | x | x | Ny trim active @ qbar= 20. Four yaw jets available. | | | | |
| 09:49 | 238 | 22.1 | 0 | 15.2 | Drag H update in NAV filter @ D=11. | | | | |
| 11:51 | 228 | 20.6 | " | 20.3 | B01.06 Monitor H update with HSD. | | | | |
| 12:25 | 224 | 20.0 | " | 22.7 | Pitch jets deactivated @ qbar= 40. MPS LO ₂ Fill & Drain Valves open. | | | | |
| 13:02 | 219 | 19.1 | " | 24.7 | RCS activity lights reconfigure @ qbar= 50. B01.07 Double Toggle if required. | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | 001 Executing Item 6 EXEC twice. | B01.06 Monitor execution of Double Toggle. B01.09 Check MPS/TVC Isol. Valves closed. 001 Inspect MPS/TVC valve status by using mirror or turning around to ensure that talkback indicates "CLOSED." | B01.06 Monitor execution of Double Toggle. | KYBD C2/A1 CRTs 1, 2 F7/A1, A4 | Panel R4 is out of the PLT's field of view. Therefore, the PLT must use a mirror, or physically turn around, to check that the valves are closed. |
| " | " | " | " | " | C01 BEGIN EQUILIBRIUM GLIDE PHASE (-2:48): | | | | |
| 14:14 | 210 | 17.9 | 0.0643 | 30.4 | C01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1 & 2. | C01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1 & 2. | C01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 1 & 2. | CRT 1&2 F7/A1 F7/A4 | |
| 15:34 | 195 | 15.7 | " | 40.9 | C01.02 Monitor first roll reversal (delta Az=10.5 deg.). | C01.02 Monitor first roll reversal (delta Az=10.5 deg.). | C01.02 Monitor first roll reversal (delta Az=10.5 deg.). | ADI F6/A6 F8/A6 CRT 2 F7/A4 | |

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|----------|---------|---------------|--------|------|---|---|---|--|-------|
| 15:50 | 193 | 15.3 | 0.129 | 43.5 | D01 BEGIN CONSTANT DRAG PHASE (-1:40): D=33 fps ² | | | | |
| 16:00 | 190 | 15.0 | x | x | D01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 2 & 3. | D01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 2 & 3. | D01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENT TRAJ 2 & 3. | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |
| 17:23 | 181 | 12.2 | 0.193 | 46.3 | Alpha begins to ramp down. | | | | |
| 17:30 | 180 | 12.0 | " | 45.8 | D01.02 Select radiator flow: 001 RAD BYP VLV MODE (two) - AUTO | | D01.03 Prompt CDR in selection of RAD and CNTRL LOOP from checklist. | RAD CTRL L1/A2 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | D01.04 Select CNTRL LOOP (two) - AUTO B(A). | | | CNTRL LOOP L1/A1 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | E01 BEGIN TRANSITION PHASE (-4:39): | | | | |
| 18:20 | 171 | 10.4 | 0.0643 | 47.6 | E01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENTRY TRAJ 4 & 5. | E01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENTRY TRAJ 4 & 5. | E01.01 Monitor drag-vel-range profile on ENTRY TRAJ 4 & 5. | CRT 1&2 F7/A1 F7/A4 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | E01.02 Monitor pitch, alpha, & alpha modulation separately on the ADI, AMI, & ENT TRAJ Display. | E01.02 Monitor pitch, alpha, & alpha modulation separately on the ADI, AMI, & ENT TRAJ Display. | E01.02 Monitor pitch, alpha, & alpha modulation separately on the ADI, AMI, & ENT TRAJ Display. | ADI F6/A6 F8/A6 AMI F6/A2 F8/A1 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | Alpha begins ramping down from 40-15deg. | | | CRT 1&2 F7/A1 F7/A4 | |
| 18:33 | 168 | 10.0 | " | 47.9 | E01.03 Check Initial SPDBK deployment to 81%. | E01.03 Check Initial SPDBK deployment to 81%. | E01.03 Check Initial SPDBK deployment to 81%. | SP1 F7/A3 | |
| 18:38 | 167 | 9.8 | " | 48.6 | Exit UHF communications blackout. | | | | |

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HIERARCHICAL TASK LISTING SHUTTLE ENTRY AND LANDING

| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrd Kfps (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|--------------|--------|------|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| 19:48 | 154 | 7.9 | 0.193 | 45.8 | LG HYD. ISOL Valve 2 opens. | E01.04 Verify LG HYD ISOL VLV 2 open. 001 Inspect HYD VLV status using mirror or turning around to ensure that its talkback indicates "OPEN." | | LG HYD ISOL VLV R4/A1 | PLT either looks in mirror or turns around to look at the R4 panel to verify this. |
| 19:51 | 153 | 7.7 | 0.0643 | 45.6 | <i>Earliest opportunity for runway redesignation.</i> | | | | |
| 20:10 | 150 | 7.2 | -0.129 | 45.3 | <i>Landing Site (EDW or KSC) TACAN Lock-on.</i> | | | | |
| 20:15 | 147 | 7.0 | 0.129 | " | E01.05 Check TACAN status. 001 Take TACAN to NAV at MCC call, else No-Comm Management. | E01.05 Check TACAN status. | E01.05 Check TACAN status. | SPEC 50 Display CRT's 1, 2, & 3 | May occur at a later point in time, after an on-board decision is made regarding TACAN information. |
| 20:36 | 142 | 6.5 | 0.193 | 44.8 | <i>Earliest opportunity for MCC state vector update.</i> | | | | |
| 21:52 | 122 | 5.0 | 0.0643 | 43.5 | <i>Rudder becomes active.</i> E01.08 Monitor aileron & rudder trim. 001 Control roll trim manually, if required. <i>Ammonia boiler activated.</i> | E01.08 Monitor aileron & rudder trim. | E01.06 Monitor aileron & rudder trim. | SF1 F7/A3 CRT's 1, 2 F7/A1, A4 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | E01.07 Deploy ADTA probes. | | E01.07 Deploy ADTA probes. | ADTA C3/A6 | ADTA probes are deployed by CDR or MS2, whomever is able to do it first. |
| " | " | " | " | " | E01.08 Check Heat. | E01.08 Check Heat. | E01.08 Check Heat. | | Heat position of the ADTA probe switch is used only if flying through viable moisture is anticipated. |
| 22:43 | 107 | 4.0 | 0.0643 | 43.8 | E01.09 Monitor Hdot. 001 Check Hdot < 500 fps. | E01.09 Monitor Hdot. 001 Check Hdot < 500 fps. | E01.09 Monitor Hdot. 001 Check Hdot < 500 fps. | AVVI F6/A4 F8/A3 | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrd Kfs (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|-------------|--------|------|--|--|--|---|-------|
| 22:43 | 107 | 3.4 | 0.0643 | 43.8 | E01.10 Check ADTA probe deploy discrete. 001 Switch to L ADTA. 002 Switch to R ADTA. 003 Switch back to NAV. E01.11 Monitor the ADTA on SPEC 51. | E01.10 Check ADTA probe deploy discrete. 001 Switch to L ADTA. 002 Switch to R ADTA. 003 Switch back to NAV. E01.11 Monitor the ADTA on SPEC 51. | | ADTA Switch F8/A1 F8/A4 | |
| 23:27 | 96 | 3.2 | 0.193 | 42.5 | SPDBK retracts to 65%. E01.12 Monitor SPDBK retraction. <i>Elevon trim position to Zero.</i> | E01.12 Monitor SPDBK retraction. | E01.12 Monitor SPDBK retraction. | CRTs 1, 2, & 3 F7/A1, A4, & A6 SP1 F7/A3 | |
| 23:39 | 93 | 3.0 | 0.257 | 40.9 | E01.13 Take ADTA to NAV and G&C on MCC call. | E01.14 Monitor CDR taking air data to NAV and G&C on MCC call. | E01.14 Monitor CDR taking air data to NAV and G&C on MCC call. | CRTs 1, 2 F7/A1, A4 | |
| 23:54 | 89 | 2.7 | 0.193 | 40.2 | E01.15 Power-up HUD - ON. Flash Evaporator OFF. <i>Drag H update terminates.</i> | E01.15 Power-up HUD - ON. E01.16 Check APU's. | | HUD APU's F8/A8 R2/A2 R2/A3 | |
| 24:00 | 87 | 2.6 | 0.129 | 40.4 | 02 BEGIN TAEM SEGMENT (-5:00): 02.01 Monitor Guidance Modes to MM305 on VERT SIT 1 display. | 02.01 Monitor Guidance Modes to MM305 on VERT SIT 1 display. | 02.01 Monitor Guidance Modes to MM305 on VERT SIT 1 display. | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |

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| El. Time | Alt KR | Vrd Kts (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|--------|-------------|-------|------|---|--|---|--|--|
| 24:09 | 85 | 2.5 | 0.257 | 39.4 | A02 BEGIN ACQUISITION PHASE (~2:51): BEGIN ARC SUBPHASE: A02.01 Assess current energy situation on the VERT SIT 1 plot & E/W scale. A02.03 Check SPDBKs to 65%. BEGIN LINE SUBPHASE: A02.04 Assess energy & trajectory by plot & energy bug. A02.06 Monitor successively the following dedicated displays: • AVVI • AMI • HSI -- Gldeslope • HSD • VSD • SPI | A02.02 Monitor initiation of TAEM Guidance. A02.03 Check SPDBKs to 65%. A02.05 Monitor continuously Energy & Trajectory on VERT SITs. A02.06 Monitor successively the following dedicated displays: • AVVI • AMI • HSI -- Gldeslope • HSD • VSD • SPI | A02.02 Monitor initiation of TAEM Guidance. A02.03 Check SPDBKs to 65%. A02.05 Monitor continuously Energy & Trajectory on VERT SITs. A02.06 Monitor successively the following dedicated displays: • AVVI • AMI • HSD • VSD • Warning Light Panel • SPI | CRT 1 F7/A6 SPI F7/A3 CRT 1&2 F7/A6 F7/A4 AVVI F6/A4 F8/A4 AMI F6/A2 F8/A1 HSI F6/A7 F8/A7 HSD (CRT 3) F7/A6 VSD (CRT 1) F7/A1 SPI F7/A3 Warning Panel F7/A2 | Adjustments to TAEM Guidance primarily consist of calls from MCC. MS2 monitors the AVVI on the F6 panel and the AMI on the F8 panel. Monitoring of all displays listed here is not unique to this Phase. Rather, they are being scanned successively during the entire E/L procedure. Since monitoring of these displays is so frequent and nonsequential, it is not possible to list every occurrence. |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|---------|------|---|--|--|---|-------|
| 24:09 | 85 | 2.5 | 0.257 | 39.4 | A02.07 Monitor SPEC 50 on CRT 1. 001 Activate SPEC 50 on CRT 1 with entry on KYBD 1. | A02.07 Monitor SPEC 50 on CRT 2. 001 Activate SPEC 50 on CRT 2 with entry on KYBD 2. | A02.07 Monitor SPEC 50 on CRT 1 or 2. | CRT 1 F7/A1 CRT 2 F7/A4 KYBD 1 & 2 C2 | |
| 24:20 | 83 | 2.4 | -0.0643 | 40.4 | Fuelage vents open. | | | | |
| " | " | 2.0 | " | " | A02.08 Ensure ADTA to O&C. | | | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |
| 25:50 | 50 | 1.2 | 0.45 | 30.4 | Auto alleron trim deactivated in CSS. | | | | |
| 26:21 | 48 | 0.9 | 0.579 | 32.4 | Yaw jets deactivated @ M=1. | | | | |
| 26:27 | 48 | 0.9 | 0.257 | 32.2 | SPDBK begins modulating for energy (AS) @ M=0.95. | | | | |
| | | | | | A02.09 Verify SPDBK modulation on HUD and SPI. | A02.09 Verify SPDBK modulation on HUD and SPI. | A02.09 Verify SPDBK modulation on HUD and SPI. | HUD SPI F7/A3 | |
| | | | | | Elevon trim position to 4° down. | | | | |
| | | | | | A02.10 Verify on SPI elevon position to 4° down. | A02.10 Verify on SPI elevon position to 4° down. | A02.10 Verify on SPI elevon position to 4° down. | SPI F7/A3 RHC P, R/Y F2 | |
| | | | | | A02.11 Begin CSS: P, R/Y. | | | | |
| | | | | | 001 Depress the P and R/Y CSS PBI's. | | | | |
| | | | | | 002 Verify that white lights on switches have illuminated, indicating CSS has been engaged. | | | | |
| 26:27 | 48 | 0.9 | 0.257 | 32.2 | | A02.12 Check SPDBK CMD vs. POS. 001 Compare CMD pointer versus POS pointer on SPI and HUD SPDBK indicators. | | SPI F7/A3 HUD | |

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|----------|---------|----------------|-------|------|--|--|----------|---|--|
| 26:27 | 48 | 0.9 | 0.257 | 32.2 | A02.13 Check to ensure that NWS switch is in the GPC position. | A02.14 Verify R FLT CNTRL PWR- ON. 001 Look to confirm that the FLT CNTRL switch is in the ON position. | | R FLT CNTRL F8/A8 NWS L2/A2 | NWS to GPC is usually done prior to entry, with this "check" being a verification. R FLT CNTRL PWR is turned on prior to deorbit burn TGO. Verification at this point is done as a safeguard. |
| 27:00 | 40 | 0.8 | 0.322 | 29.3 | B02 BEGIN HEADING ALIGNMENT PHASE (~1:50): HAC interception @ WPI. B02.01 Initiate RHC maneuvers/ inputs to follow guidance commands and confirm reaction. | | | RHC | |
| " | " | " | " | " | B02.02 Verify HAC intercept by confirming 3 things: 001 Confirm HUD shows no errors. 002 Confirm ADI shows no errors. 003 Confirm SPEC 50 shows proper flight path. | B02.02 Verify HAC intercept by confirming 3 things: 001 Confirm HUD shows no errors. 002 Confirm ADI shows no errors. 003 Confirm SPEC 50 shows proper flight path. | | HUD ADI F8/A6 F9/A6 CRT 1&2 F7/A1 F7/A4 | |
| 27:00 | 40 | 0.8 | 0.322 | 29.3 | LG HYD ISOL VLV 1 opens. | B02.03 Verify LG HYD ISOL VLV 1 open. 001 Inspect LG HYD ISOL VLV status using mirror or turning around to see that its talkbacks indicate "OPEN." | | LG HYD ISOL VLV R4 | PLT either looks in mirror to verify this or turns around to look at the R4 panel. |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kts (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|-------------|------------|--------------------|-------|------|---|---|---|---|-------|
| 27:00 | 40 | 0.8 | 0.322 | 29.3 | B02.04 Monitor SPEC 50 display on CRT 1. 001 Confirm SPEC 50 information on ADI & HUD. B02.08 Follow guidance, correcting for errors. | B02.05 Monitor SPEC 50 on CRT 2. 001 Confirm SPEC 50 information on ADI & HUD. B02.06 Follow guidance, correcting for errors. | | CRT1&2 F7/A1 F7/A4 ADI F6/A6 F8/A6 HUD RHC | |
| " | " | " | " | " | B02.07 Crosscheck HSI for NAV information. 001 Check the Magnetic Heading. 002 Check the Course Deviation reading. 003 Check Glide Slope reading. | B02.07 Crosscheck HSI for NAV information. 001 Check the Magnetic Heading. 002 Check the Course Deviation reading. 003 Check Glide Slope reading. | | HSI F6/A7 F8/A7 | |
| 28:42 | 15 | 0.6 | 0.257 | 38.4 | Start Landing Comm. Protocol (silent cockpit except for callouts listed below and problems). B02.08 Obtain visual of APILs by looking out the side windows (W1 & W2 or W5 & W6, depending on approach). | Start Landing Comm. Protocol (silent cockpit except for callouts listed below and problems). B02.08 Obtain visual of APILs by looking out the side windows (W1 & W2 or W5 & W6, depending on approach). | Start Landing Comm. Protocol (silent cockpit except for callouts listed below and problems). | Out Windows 1&2 or 5&6 | |
| 28:42 | 15 | 0.6 | 0.257 | 38.4 | | B02.09 Check MLS acquisition (G-50, TACAN ratios & residuals blank). | B02.09 Check MLS acquisition (G-50, TACAN ratios & residuals blank). | CRT 1&2 F7/A1 F7/A4 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | | | B02.10 Call "MLS." | Call | |

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|----------|---------|--------------|-----|------|--|--|----------|-------------------|-------|
| 28:50 | 14 | 0.6 | 0 | 38.6 | C02 BEGIN PREFINAL PHASE (-0:19): | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | Transition from HAC to OGS | | | RHC | |
| | | | | | C02.01 Roll wings level. | | | ADM F6/A6 | |
| | | | | | 001 Initiate RHC inputs. | | | HUD | |
| | | | | | 002 Monitor successively Guidance Needles (ADI), HUD, HSI, CRT 1, Out Window (Perceptual Cues). | | | HSI F6/A7 | |
| | | | | | C02.02 Monitor any updates or changes in wind conditions. | | | CRT 1 F7/A1 | |
| | | | | | 001 Listen for MCC updates on wind conditions. | | | Out Window | |
| | | | | | 002 Watch (be alert) for any changes in wind conditions. | | | | |
| | | | | | HSI reconfigures for the AIL Segment. | | | MCC call | |
| | | | | | C02.03 Verify Reconfiguration of HSI. | C02.03 Verify Reconfiguration of HSI. | | HUD | |
| | | | | | 001 Check that HSI's Primary and Secondary Bearing pointers have converged, pointing toward runway. | 001 Check that HSI's Primary and Secondary Bearing pointers have converged, pointing toward runway. | | Out Window | |
| | | | | | C02.04 Check PAPI's & HUD overlay on runway. HUD MODE-DCLT as required. | C02.04 Check PAPI's & HUD overlay on runway. HUD MODE-DCLT as required. | | HSI's F6/A7 F8/A7 | |
| 28:50 | 14 | 0.6 | 0 | 38.6 | | | | PAPI's Out Window | |
| | | | | | | | | HUD | |
| | | | | | | | | DCLT F6/A3 F8/A2 | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vvel Kfps (M) | Ny° | Nz° | Event/CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|-----|------|---|---|---|--|---|
| 29:09 | 10 | 0.6 | 0 | 37.3 | 03 BEGIN APPROACH & LAND SEGMENT (-1:50): GNC SYS SUMM display on CRT 2. | 03.01 Call "A/L" flash on HUD. | 03.02 Call "A/L" flash on VERT SIT 2. 03.03 Monitor displays for overall vehicle configuration, fault messages, problems throughout A/L. | HUD CRT 2 F7/A4 Warning Panel F7/A2 SPI F7/A3 CRT 1, 2 & 3 F7/A1, A4 & A6 KYBD C2/A1 | Calling up GNC SYS SUMM is an optional task. It depends on the CDRs preference. |
| | | | | | 03.04 Call-up GNC SYS SUMM on CRT 2 with KYBD entry. | | | | |
| | | | | | A03 BEGIN TRAJECTORY CAPTURE PHASE: <i>Body Flap to trail.</i> | | | | |
| | | | | | A03.01 Verify visually on SPI that BF pointer moves to ~37%. | A03.01 Verify visually on SPI that BF pointer moves to ~37%. | A03.01 Verify visually on SPI that BF pointer moves to ~37%. | SPI F7/A3 | |
| 29:09 | 10 | 0.6 | 0 | 37.3 | A03.02 Execute Control Inputs to capture OGS, targeting vehicle for aimpoint & PAPI's. 001 Push forward on RHC to obtain correct pitch. | | A03.03 Check body flap to trail. A03.04 Check A/L on VERT SIT. A03.05 Call: "APPROACH & LAND, BF TRAIL." | RHC SPI F7/A3 CRT 2 F7/A4 Call | Due to handling characteristics of the Orbiter, control inputs on the RHC are very slight. Therefore, the "push" listed here would be a very small forward input. |
| 29:09 | 10 | 0.6 | 0 | 37.3 | B03 BEGIN OUTER/STEEP GLIDE SLOPE PHASE (-0:43): | | | | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kts (M) | Ny° | Nz° | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|--------------|---------|------|---|---|--|--|-------|
| 29:09 | 10 | 0.6 | 0 | 37.3 | <p>B03.01 Compare HUD runway overlay to actual runway to establish NAV error.</p> <p>• If overlay is good :</p> <p>001 Select HUD declutter level 1 or 2.</p> <p>002 Follow NAV guidance diamond.</p> <p>• If overlay indicates excessive NAV error :</p> <p>001 Declutter HUD.</p> <p>002 Maintain glide slope by placing velocity vector on aim point (next to PAPI's).</p> | <p>B03.01 Compare HUD runway overlay to actual runway to establish NAV error.</p> <p>• If overlay is good :</p> <p>001 Select HUD declutter level 1 or 2.</p> <p>002 Follow NAV guidance diamond.</p> <p>• If overlay indicates excessive NAV error :</p> <p>001 Declutter HUD.</p> <p>002 Maintain glide slope by placing velocity vector on aim point (next to PAPI's).</p> | | <p>HUDs</p> <p>HUD Switch</p> <p>RHC</p> | |
| 29:09 | 10 | 0.6 | 0 | 37.3 | <p>B03.02 Execute pitch adjustment as needed to maintain glide slope/KEAS balance.</p> <p>SPDBK adjusts with pitch.</p> | <p>B03.03 Monitor airspeed for 290 KEAS.</p> <p>B03.04 Monitor outside PAPI lights for 19° glide slope.</p> | B03.05 Monitor SPDBK adjustment as pitch is altered. | <p>RHC</p> <p>HUD</p> <p>PAPI's Out Window</p> | |
| " | " | " | " | " | <p>B03.06 Call 2 red & 2 white lights.</p> | B03.07 Call airspeed & altitude. | | <p>SP1 F7/A3</p> <p>Out Window</p> | |
| 29:09 | (7) | 0.6 | 0 | 37.3 | | | | HUD | |
| 29:30 | 5 | 0.5 | -0.0643 | 29.3 | <p>Radar altimeter activated.</p> <p>B03.08 Verify RADAR ALT Scale becomes active on HUD.</p> | B03.08 Verify RADAR ALT Scale becomes active on HUD. | | HUD | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny° | Nz° | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|---------|------|---|--|--|--|-------|
| 29:30 | 5 | 0.5 | -0.0643 | 29.3 | | B03.10 Compare RADAR ALT 1 vs. 2. B03.11 Call: "RADAR ALTIMETER, 1 & 2 CHECK GOOD." B03.12 Call airspeed & altitude. B03.13 Call "4K FEET." B03.14 Call "3K FEET." B03.15 Check SPDBK CMD %. 001 Verify SPDBK value with value on Cue Card (15-25%). B03.16 Call "BOARDS _____%." B03.17 Monitor progression of HUD velocity vector triangles for onset of Preflare. | B03.09 Verify RADAR ALT is active on AVVI. | AVVI F6/A4 RAD ALT F8/A8 O8/A1 Call Call HUD Call HUD Call HUD SP1 F7/A3 Call HUD Call HUD | |
| 29:46 | 4 | " | " | " | Smart SPDBKs retract to new value. | | | | |
| 29:52 | 3 | 0.5 | 0.45 | 32.7 | | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | B03.17 Monitor progression of HUD velocity vector triangles for onset of Preflare. C03 BEGIN PREFLARE PHASE (-0:14): C03.01 Call: "PREFLARE, ARM GEAR." C03.03 Arm landing gear. 001 Depress LG ARM PBI. 002 Verify that yellow light is illuminated on PBI indicating gear are armed. | C03.02 Call: "2K FEET, PREFLARE NEXT." C03.03 Arm landing gear. 001 Depress LG ARM PBI. 002 Verify that yellow light is illuminated on PBI indicating gear are armed. | | | |
| " | 2 | 0.5 | 0.45 | 32.2 | | | | | |
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SHUTTLE ENTRY AND LANDING

| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrd Kts (M) | Ny° | Nz° | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|-------------|--------|------|--|--|---|--------------------------|---|
| 29:52 | 2 | 0.5 | 0.45 | 32.2 | C03.04 Initiate Preflare maneuver and transition onto Ball/ Bar. 001 Pitch-up with RHC to establish constant-g rotation and IGS or proper Ball/ Bar relationship. | C03.05 Call: "GEAR ARE ARMED." | | RHC Call | |
| " | " | " | " | " | C03.08 Monitor continuation of Preflare on HUD. 001 Monitor progression of velocity vector triangles. 002 Ensure reference pointer is just below horizon. 003 Monitor visual references out window. | | | HUD Out Windows | |
| " | 1.5 | " | " | " | | | C03.07 Recheck SPDBK for correct value. | SP1 F7/A3 | MS2 is probably checking SPDBK for a "ballpark" value, since at this point it is difficult to obtain an exact SPDBK value. (The "correct" value is based upon computer model estimates which may not take into consideration the most current wind, energy, conditions, etc.) |
| 29:52 | 1.0 | 0.5 | " | 32.2 | | C03.08 Call: "1K FEET, _____ KNOTS _____" (knots called are max KEAS in preflare). | | Call HUD | |
| 29:52 | 500f | 0.5 | " | 32.2 | | C03.09 Call: "500 FEET, _____ A/S _____" | C03.10 Check SPDBK %. | Call HUD SP1 F7/A3 | |
| 30:06 | 400f | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | D03 BEGIN INNER/ SHALLOW GLIDE SLOPE PHASE (-0:22): | | | | |
| " | " | " | " | " | D03.01 Move RHC to acquire IGS (indicated by ball/bar relationship). | D03.02 Call: "400 FEET, _____ A/S _____" | | RHC Call HUD | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kft/s (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|----------------|--------|------|---|--|--|---|--|
| 30-06 | 400f | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | D03.03 Monitor out-the-window ball /bar. 001 Adjust pitch as needed to achieve & maintain 1.0-1.5 deg. IGS. (Ball on top of bar yields better 1.0 deg. manual GS). 002 Line-up ball so it appears to be moving along light bar. D03.04 Call: "GEAR DOWN" | | D03.05 Check SPD/BIK setting. | Out Window RHC | |
| 30-06 | 300f | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | D03.06 Depress GR DN button. D03.07 Call: "GEAR COMING" (Flashing symbology /GR// occurs on HUD). | D03.06 Depress GR DN button. D03.07 Call: "GEAR COMING" (Flashing symbology /GR// occurs on HUD). | | Call SPI F7/A3 | CDR & PLT may both push GR DN button; however, in most cases, the PLT will depress the gear-down button rather than the CDR. |
| 30-06 | 300f | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | D03.08 Depress GR DN button. D03.09 Stabilize Orbiter on IGS (at this point CDR is utilizing visual cues outside to stabilize Orbiter). D03.12 Correct any lateral errors. | D03.08 Check that gear indicates DOWN--GR-DN symbology appears on HUD. D03.10 Call: "GEAR IS DOWN." | D03.08 Check that Gear indicates DOWN--DN-- appears on all 3 LG talkbacks. D03.11 Call: "BOARDS %, GEAR IS DOWN." | GEAR DN F6/A3 F8/A3 Call HUD HUD GEAR DN F6/A3 RHC SPI Calls F7/A3 RHC | |

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HIERARCHICAL TASK LISTING SHUTTLE ENTRY AND LANDING

| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny° | Nz° | Events/CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|--------|------|---|---|----------|--------------------|---|
| 30:06 | 300x | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | | D03.13 Call: "300 FEET, _____ KT." (PLT makes subsequent altitude and KEAS calls in a steady cadence, from 300 - 5 ft.) | | Call HUD | |
| 30:06 | 200x | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | | D03.14 Call: "200 ft., _____ KT." | | Call | |
| 30:06 | 100x | 0.5 | -0.643 | 30.6 | | D03.15 Call: "100 ft., _____ KT." | | Call | |
| " | 70x | " | " | " | | D03.16 Call: "70 ft., _____ KT." | | Call | |
| 30:16 | 60x | 0.4 | 1.35 | 45.8 | E03 BEGIN FINAL FLARE (-0:12) | | | RHC | |
| | | | | | E03.01 Initiate Final Flare with pitch-up RHC command. | | | | |
| | | | | | E03.03 Monitor Hdot (sink rate) & alpha (pitch angle), utilizing visual cues out window of Orbiter. | E02.02 Call: "60 ft., _____ KT." | | HUD | |
| 30:16 | 60x | 0.4 | 1.35 | 45.8 | E03.04 Align upper limb of HUD velocity vector tangent to & just below horizon line as vehicle crosses threshold, producing approx. 2-3 ft/s sink rate. | | | HUD/Out Window | Final Flare is most likely performed using a depth perception cue rather than the HUD flight path marker. |
| | | | | | E03.05 Fly to EAS, not to "touchdown spot." | | | HUD | |
| " | 50x | " | " | " | | E03.08 Call: "50 ft., _____ KT." | | HUD Call HUD | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Event/CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|---------|---------------|--------|------|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|-------|
| 30:16 | 40f | 0.4 | 1.35 | 45.8 | | E03.07 Call: "40 ft., ___ KT." | | Call | |
| " | 30f | " | " | " | | E03.08 Call: "30 ft., ___ KT." | | Call | |
| 30:16 | 20f | 0.4 | 1.35 | 45.8 | Runway Threshold crossed. (Approx. 15 Ft. ALT.) | E03.09 Call: "20 ft., ___ KT." | | Call | |
| " | 10f | " | " | " | | E03.10 Call: "10 ft., ___ KT." | | Call | |
| 30:16 | 5f | 0.4 | 1.35 | 45.8 | E03.11 Execute RHC inputs to null errors caused by gusts, turbulence, ground effects. | E03.12 Call: "5 ft., ___ KT." | | RHC | |
| 30:28 | TD | 195 KT | -0.193 | 35.8 | F03 BEGIN TOUCH-DOWN & ROLLOUT PHASE (-0:31): | | | Call | |
| " | " | " | " | " | F03.01 Control drift with rudder. 001 Apply heel pressure to rudder pedals as needed. | F03.02 Call: "TOUCHDOWN, BOARDS OPEN." | | RHC/ Rudder Pedals | |
| " | " | " | " | " | F03.03 Control bank with Lateral RHC (ailerons). F03.04 Select Manual SPDBK. 001 Depress SPDBK Takeover Switch. 002 Pull back SPDBK/Thrust Control Lever as needed. | F03.05 Check HUD display for WOWLON: 001 Observe Pitch Bars present and WOWLON flag. 002 Observe that Velocity Vector disappears (Cross-wind may delay this). | F03.06 Check SPDBK operating to 100%. | SPDBK Lever L/2 HUD SP1 F7/A3 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | HUD reconfigures. | F03.07 Call: "WOW CONFIRMED." | | Call HUD | |

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|----------|------------|--------------|--------|------|--|---|--|---|--|
| 30:28 | " | 185 KT | -0.193 | 35.8 | | F03.08 Call: "185, DEROTATE" (Even without WOWLON). | | Call HUD | |
| 30:28 | Derotation | 185 KT | -0.193 | 35.8 | F03.09 Derotate at 2-3 deg/s. | F03.10 Monitor pitch needle on ADI to observe Pitch Rate. 001 Call: "PITCH RATE" (Repeats rate at regular cadence during derotation). | | RHC ADI PB/A6 Call | Derotating 2-3 deg/s is a demanding task and very important for a safe landing -- (i.e., too slow or too fast would have adverse effects). |
| " | " | " | " | " | | F03.11 Call airspeed continuously at 10-KT increments through WONG until braking initiated. | | Call HUD | |
| " | " | " | " | " | F03.12 Check Auto Load Relief. | F03.12 Check Auto Load Relief. 001 Ensure that PITCH PBI has transitioned from CSS to AUTO to confirm that flight control is up-moded to Auto Pitch. | F03.12 Check Auto Load Relief. 001 Watch Elevon needles on SPI going down. 002 Call "LOAD RELIEF" or "NO LOAD RELIEF." | CSS/Auto Pitch F2 & F4 SPI F7/A3 | |
| 30:37 | 0 | 165 KT | -0.193 | 33.7 | F03.13 Maintain/Correct to centerline with NWS. 001 Maintain proper heel pressure on rudder pedals to keep on centerline. | F03.14 Back-up WOW flag. 001 Place SRB SEP or ET SEP switch to AUTO/MANUAL. 002 Depress the SRB or ET SEP PB. | | Rudder Pedals HUD SRB & ET C3/A4 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | | F03.15 Call: "WOW SET." F03.16 Verify LG HYD ISOL VLV 3 Open using mirror. | | Call R4 | |

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| El. Time | Alt Kft | Vrel Kfps (M) | Ny* | Nz* | Events/ CDR Task | Pilot Task | MS2 Task | Loc | Notes |
|----------|-------------------|---|--------|------|--|--|--|---|---|
| 30:37 | 0 | 165 KT | -0.193 | 33.7 | | | F03.17 Check that Elevons Down. F03.18 Check that NWS FAIL and Anti-skid FAIL lights off. | Call SPI F7/A3 NWS/ Anti-skid F3 HUD Call Rudder Pedals | CDR and PLT monitor KT and Braking (FPS ²) on HUD. |
| 30:47 | Mid-Field | 165 KT | 0.515 | 32.2 | F03.19 Check GS and DECEL on HUD. | F03.20 Call: "MIDFIELD." | | | |
| 30:47 | | 140 KT | 0.515 | 32.2 | F03.21 Initiate braking at runway midpoint or 140 KT, whichever occurs first. 001 Brake at 8-10 FPS ² by applying proper toe pressure on pedals. 002 Monitor braking rate on HUD or on AMI (Accel. Tape). | | | | |
| 30:47 | 5K ft re-mai-ning | 140 KT | 0.515 | 32.2 | F03.22 Initiate MAX braking (if GS > 140 KT). | F03.23 Call: "5K FT. REMAINING." | | HUD AMI F6/A2 BRK Call HUD | |
| 30:47 | | 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 | 0.515 | 32.2 | | F03.24 Call: " $\frac{\text{DECEL}}{\text{Reading}} \times \text{KT.}$ " | | | KT are read by the PLT during deceleration, in intervals of 10, until wheel stop. |
| 30:51 | | 40 | " | " | F03.25 Reduce braking to < 6 fps ² . | F03.26 Call: "40 KT., EASE OFF [Brakes]." | | Rudder Pedals Call HUD | |
| 30:59 | | 0 | 0.257 | 31.7 | F03.27 Report "WHEELS STOPPED" to MCC. | | | Call | |

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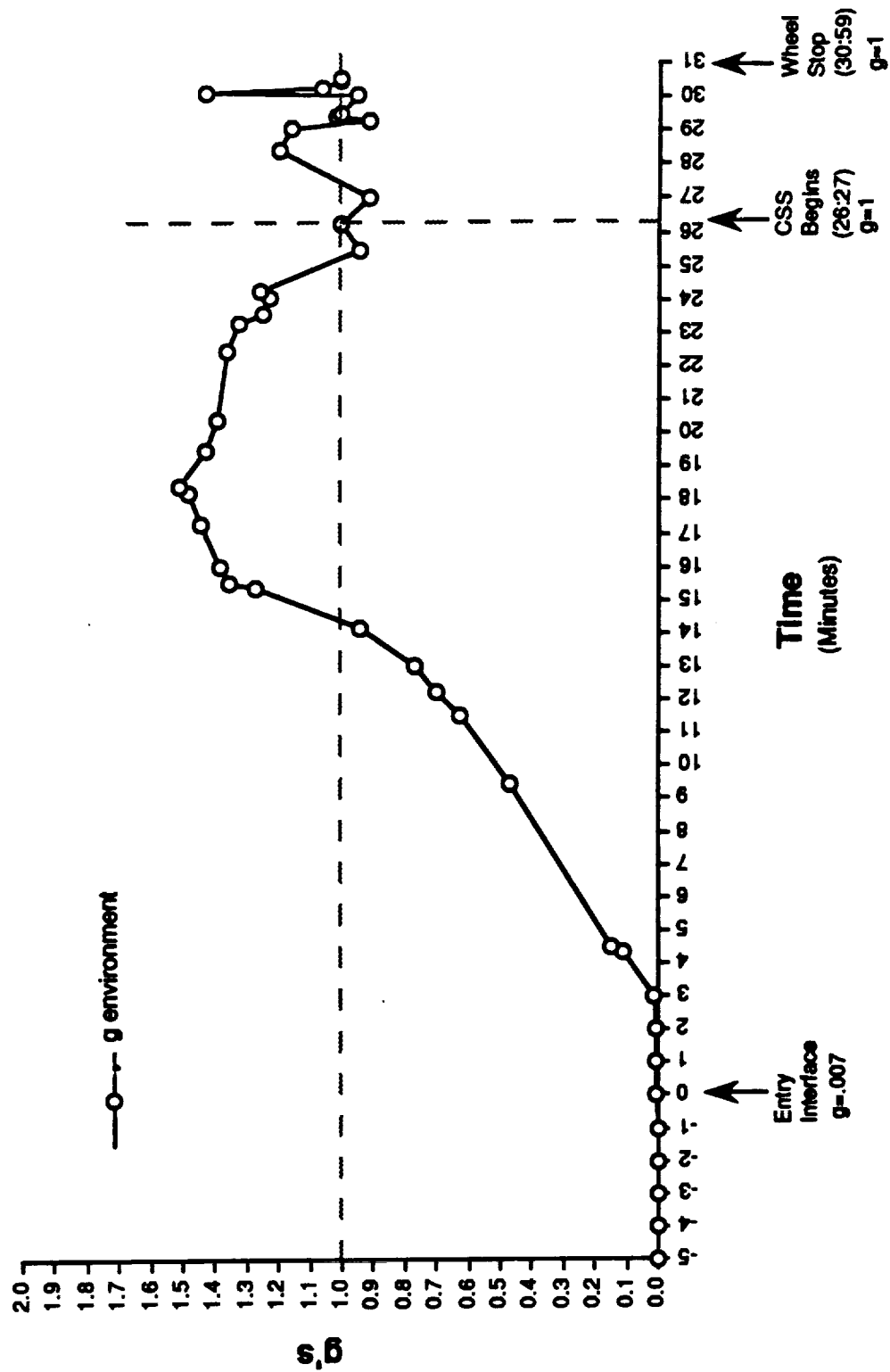
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APPENDIX A G's Experienced During Entry and Landing

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APPENDIX B

Comments on Entry/Landing Provided by Crewmembers

- From Entry Interface minus 5 minutes the commander (CDR), pilot (PLT) and mission specialist 2 (MS2) *continuously* monitor all relevant instrumentation (e.g., altitude/vertical velocity indicator (AVVI), alpha mach indicator (AMI), horizontal situation indicator (HSI), attitude direction indicator (ADI), surface position indicator (SPI), entry trajectory (ENT TRAJ), horizontal situation display (SPEC 50)).
 - * It was not feasible to indicate when all monitoring tasks were taking place, since this is an ongoing task from entry interface to wheel stop. We, therefore, elected to include intermittently the most frequently monitored controls as an indication that this activity is still ongoing.
- Regarding MS2 functions: In general, since MS2 can see both sides of cockpit, he/she will call out and monitor all events. On a nominal entry, each of the three crewmembers will verify the major events.
- V_{rel} Kfps (M) for Entry and Landing is dependent on trajectory and will be slightly different for each flight.
- B01.07: 001 "Double Toggle" (elapsed time 13:02). This procedure will be deleted when new instrumentation and software are introduced to the Orbiters.
- A03.02 (Elapsed Time 29:09). Executing control inputs to capture outer glide slope (OGS) should not, in a nominal situation, require a pitchover and roll-out. Rather, it should be a smooth maneuver from heading alignment cone (HAC) intercept to arrive established OGS. Commander is constantly flying both axes, and the physical environment is always approximately 1g.
- During the "Final Flare Initiation" (D03.17: elapsed time 30:16) of E/L, the task is a closed-loop command, made smoothly, not an open-loop command. During training sessions in the SMS, however, it is considered open-loop.
- D03.20 "Alignment of heads-up display (HUD) Velocity Vector" (elapsed time 30:16). The method of aligning the velocity vector is a *technique* task. No specific method is universal to all CDRs and PLTs. In one CDR's opinion, to do it well, you should not use the HUD flight path markers. Rather, it is an "outside-view depth perception" maneuver entirely.

- With regard to the rudder pedals for steering, no one is allowed to touch them until main gear touchdown. Also, the braking function of the rudder pedals is not permitted to be used until midfield has been reached.
- Because of the handling characteristics of the Orbiter, control inputs on the RHC are very slight. For example, the "Push forward on RHC" listed in A03.02: 001 would be a very small forward input.
- During preflare phase (onset at elapsed time 29:52) and following, crewmembers are probably checking speedbrake (SPDBK) for a "ballpark" value. During that time, it has a "mind of its own." Additionally, the "correct" SPDBK values that are being verified are based on computer model estimates, which may not have utilized the most current wind conditions or energy state, etc.

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